

COMMITTEE REPORT

MADAM PRESIDENT:

The Senate Committee on Pensions and Labor, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 20, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be **AMENDED** as follows:

- 1 Page 2, line 21, after "amount" insert "**described in subsection (c)**".
- 2 Page 2, between lines 21 and 22, begin a new paragraph and insert:
- 3 "**(c) An employer making a deduction from an employee's**
- 4 **unpaid wages under subsection (b) is limited to deductions for the**
- 5 **purposes for which a wage assignment may be made under**
- 6 **IC 22-2-6-2(b).**".
- 7 Page 2, line 22, delete "(c)" and insert "**(d)**".
- 8 Page 2, line 27, delete "(d)" and insert "**(e)**".
- 9 Page 2, between lines 33 and 34, begin a new paragraph and insert:
- 10 "**(f) This subsection applies only to an employee whose average**
- 11 **weekly wage from an employer is less than one thousand dollars**
- 12 **(\$1,000) per week. If a court finds that an employer's failure to pay**
- 13 **an employee's wages as set forth in section 1 of this chapter did not**
- 14 **occur in good faith, the court may order the employer to pay:**
- 15 **(1) not more than two (2) times the amount of unpaid wages**

- 1 **owed the employee; and**
- 2 **(2) reasonable attorney's fees."**
- 3 Page 2, line 34, delete "(e)" and insert "**(g)**".
 (Reference is to SB 20 as printed February 9, 2005.)

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

Committee Vote: Yeas 7, Nays 3.

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Chairperson